

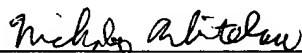
REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

In view of the amendments made to the claims, and in view of the following remarks, reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

The Examiner has indicated during a telephone conversation on September 14, 2004 that the previous amendment after final dated August 13, 2004 would not be entered but an amendment canceling all non-allowed claims would be entered.

By the present amendment, claims 21-29 and 32-37 have been canceled without prejudice or disclaimer. As a result, only claims 38-41 remain in this application. In the most recent Office Action dated June 14, 2004, the Examiner has indicated in paragraph 14 that claims 38-41 are allowed. In view of the fact that only allowed claims remain in the application, it is respectfully requested that the application be expeditiously passed to issue. If the Examiner should have any questions concerning the allowance of this application, he is cordially invited to contact the undersigned at the number provided below if it would further expedite the prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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